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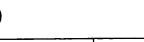
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| X This communication is responsive to the amendment of 9 May 2000 | · |
| X The allowed claim(s) is/are 1, 4, 8-16, and 18-39 | |
| ☐ The drawings filed on are acceptable. | |
| ☐ Acknowledgement is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d). | |
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| ☐ Notice of References Cited, PTO-892 | |
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| ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review, PTO-948 | |
| ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application, PTO-152 | |
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| ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material | Som Happarle |
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